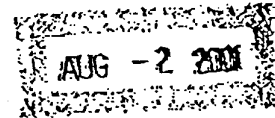




United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520



Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting herewith certification of a proposed Technical Assistance Agreement for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount \$50,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of technical data and assistance in the manufacture, launch, and operation of the ROCSAT-3 Constellation System for Meteorology, Ionosphere and Climate (COSMIC), comprised of six low earth orbit scientific satellites. The satellites are for end-use by the National Space Program Office of the National Science Council of Taiwan.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights, and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

Paul V. Kelly  
Assistant Secretary  
Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

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The Honorable

J. Dennis Hastert,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.